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IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHOE

WORLD BOTANICAL GARDENS, INC., a Nevada corporation,

Plaintiff,

WALTER WAGNER, LINDA WAGNER, DAN PERKINS, DAVID ADAMS, RON TOLMAN, JACQUE TOLMAN, KIM HARRIS, DOUG HANSEN, JIM MCBETH, DOES I through X, and ROE ENTITIES I through X,

Defendants.

Case No. CV05-02079

Dept. No.

# ORDER OF CONTEMPT

On August 17, 18, and 21, this Court conducted a trial on the merits and a hearing on the Orders to Show Cause against Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins for violations of the Preliminary Injunction and the Permanent Injunctions previously entered in this case. Robert W. Story and Robert S. Larsen of Story & Sertic appeared on behalf of Plaintiff World Botanical Gardens, ("WBGI"). Mark Robinson, Annette Emerson, Preston Michie, Ken Francik, and John Wallace testified for WBGI. Treva J. Hearne of

Hager & Hearne appeared on behalf of Defendants Walter Wagner, Linda Wagner, Dan Perkins, Dan Hansen, and Dave Adams. Defendants Walter Wagner, Dan Perkins, and Doug Hansen appeared and testified for Defendants.

After considering the testimony, evidence, and arguments of the parties on the Orders to Show Cause, this Court now enters its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order of Contempt as follows:

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On October 21, 2004, this Court entered a Preliminary Injunction against Defendant Walter Wagner and his "agents, servants, employees, affiliates, successors, assigns, and those persons or entities in active concert or participation with [him] who receive actual notice of this Order by personal service, facsimile, or otherwise" from the following acts: 1

Interfering with WBGI's business affairs;

Informing the WBGI domain name registrar or web-host that WBGI does not own the <www.wbgi.com> website or from otherwise interfering with the WBGI web page;

Selling or marketing, directly or indirectly, any WBGI shares of stock without express written WBGI Board of Directors approval.

Using the name World Botanical Gardens and WBGI's trademarks . . . and the email address suffix of <wbgi.com>, or any similar . . . email address.

2. On October 22, 2005, WBGI served Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins with this Court's Order for Preliminary Injunction; and Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins had actual knowledge

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Court will issue a separate Order and Judgment related to the trial proceedings.

of the terms of the Preliminary Injunction no later than October 22, 2005.

- 3. No party appealed the Order for Preliminary Injunction.
- 4. On April 24, 2006, this Court entered a Permanent Injunction against Defendant Walter Wagner and his "agents, servants, employees, affiliates, successors, assigns, and those persons or entities in active concert or participation with him who receive actual notice of this Order by personal service, facsimile, or otherwise" from the following acts:

### Interfering with WBGI's business affairs;

Informing the WBGI domain name registrar or web-host that WBGI does not own the <www.wbgi.com> website or from otherwise interfering with the WBGI web page;

Selling or marketing, directly or indirectly, any WBGI shares of stock without express written WBGI Board of Directors approval.

Using the name World Botanical Gardens and WBGI's trademarks . . . and the email address suffix of <wbgi.com>, or any similar . . . email address.

- 5. On April 26, 2006, WBGI served Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins with this Court's Order for Permanent Injunction; and Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins had actual knowledge of the terms of the Permanent Injunction no later than April 26, 2006.
- 6. No party appealed the Order for Permanent Injunction and the Order for Permanent Injunction is final and binding.
- 7. Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins knowingly and intentionally violated both the Preliminary Injunction and the Permanent Injunction as follows:

- a. Defendant Walter Wagner interfered in the business of WBGI by entering the property of WBGI numerous times where he trimmed Garden plants without permission and sprayed Round-Up weed killer on Garden plants without permission thereby interfering with WBGI's overall Garden plan, and otherwise engaged in unauthorized activities on WBGI property.
- b. Defendant Walter Wagner interfered with the WBGI web page by informing the domain registrar/web host that ownership of the WBGI web page was under litigation thereby causing the domain registrar/web host to place the WBGI web page "under construction."
- c. Defendant Walter Wagner filed and recorded, without any legal justification, a lis pendens on the property of WBGI and on the property of Dr. Lanny Neel, WBGI's Garden Director, thereby interfering with WBGI's ability to develop its property and interfering with WBGI's overall Garden plan, and interfering with WBGI's efforts to raise capital through the sale of property to Dr. Neel.
- d. Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins directly and indirectly marketed and sold shares of WBGI stock without ever informing WBGI's Board of Directors of their marketing and/or sales of shares of WBGI stock and without first obtaining permission of any kind from WBGI's Board of Directors to market and/or sell shares of WBGI stock thereby depriving WBGI of capital and knowingly and intentionally defrauding innocent and unsuspecting investors.

- i. Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins directly marketed and sold shares of WBGI stock by marketing and selling shares which expressly used Botanical Gardens, Inc." Defendant Walter Wagner issued certificates of ownership which expressly "World Botanical Gardens, Defendant Inc." used Wagner, and in one case his wife Linda Walter personally endorsed checks made out to Wagner, "World Botanical Gardens" or "World Botanical Gardens, Inc." for purchase of those shares and personally deposited those checks into his own bank account. Defendant Dan Perkins received a commission from Defendant Walter Wagner for his role in marketing and selling the shares in WBGI innocent and unsuspecting investors.
- ii. Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins indirectly marketed and sold shares of WBGI stock by marketing and selling shares through a non-existent "World Botanical Gardens Foundation" which was nothing more than a dba for Defendant Walter Wagner. direct telephone conversations with innocent and John Wallace, investors, such as unsuspecting Defendant Dan Perkins stated that he was selling Botanical Gardens "World by a owned shares Foundation." However, the marketing materials that Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins provided to these innocent and unsuspecting investors contained pictures of the Gardens, repeatedly used the name

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"World Botanical Gardens, Inc." with "wbgi.com" as replete with email address, was of an information about World Botanical Gardens, Inc., and was designed to lead innocent and unsuspecting investors to believe that they were purchasing stock in World Botanical Gardens, Inc., when in fact they were purchasing nothing of value. Defendant Walter Wagner then issued certificates of ownership in a non-existent "World Botanical Gardens Joint Venture Partnership" through his dba the "World Botanical Foundation." Walter Wagner personally Gardens executed checks made out to World Botanical Gardens Foundation for purchase of those shares into а personally deposited those checks bank account that he owned and controlled. The marketing materials used by Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins and provided to innocent and unsuspecting investors intentionally misrepresented and omitted material facts such that potential investors, such John Wallace, could not make informed an investment decision with respect to the shares of WBGI stock offered for sale by Defendants Walter Defendant Dan Perkins Wagner and Dan Perkins. received a commission from Defendant Walter Wagner for his role in marketing and selling shares in WBGI by means of the World Botanical Gardens Foundation to the innocent and unsuspecting investors.

8. The marketing materials that Defendants Walter Wagner and

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Dan Perkins provided to innocent and unsuspecting investors was knowingly false and knowingly misleading and designed by Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins to deceive and defraud these innocent and unsuspecting investors into believing that Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins were associated with and were authorized representatives of WBGI. By providing false information such as false phone numbers and addresses, Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins, deprived investors, such as John Wallace of the ability to confirm the false representations and statements made by Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins. The Court finds that this type of intentional deception is characteristic of all of the improper and fraudulent share sales by Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins.

- 9. Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins have taken no steps to assure that investors, such as John Wallace, would receive legitimate WBGI shares.
- 10. Defendants Walter Wagner's and Dan Perkins's use of World Botanical Gardens Foundation to market and sell shares in WBGI after October 22, 2005 was knowingly and intentionally and illegally designed to circumvent this Court's Order of Preliminary Injunction and Order for Permanent Injunction.
- 11. Defendants Walter Wagner's and Dan Perkins's sale of shares in WBGI after October 22, 2005 was with the knowledge that it violated this Court's Order for Preliminary Injunction and Order for Permanent Injunction and was intentionally fraudulent.
- 12. Each sale by Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins of an interest of whatever nature in World Botanical Gardens, Inc. after October 22, 2005 constitutes a separate willful direct contempt of this Court's Order for Preliminary Injunction.

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- 13. After repeated questioning by this Court and counsel, Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins, shockingly, were unable to state how many shares of stock they had sold, unable to state to whom they had sold stock, were unable to state the purchase price they had received for the stock they had sold, and were unable to account for the disposition of funds received from innocent and unsuspecting victims.
- 14. At this time, the Court is unable to determine the full extent of the improper and fraudulent share sales of Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins. It appears from the evidence before the Court that the improper and fraudulent share sales reach back as early as July 2004, and possibly earlier.
- 15. The blatant disregard by Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins of the interests of innocent and unsuspecting victims, the numbers of these illegal transactions, the length of time over which they occurred, the repetitive nature to these transactions demonstrating a long-standing pattern of misconduct, the clearly fraudulent nature of these transactions, and the severely negative impact these and related activities have had on the ability of WBGI, a small business with less than \$450,000 in annual revenues, to obtain badly needed capital by depriving WBGI of the ability to raise capital from its prospective investor list demand that this Court use its equitable powers to address and stop these longstanding patterns of misconduct of Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins, to protect innocent investors, to make WBGI whole, and to deprive Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins the benefits of their misconduct.
  - 16. Defendant Walter Wagner has also interfered with WBGI's

business by placing a lis pendens on WBGI's property and also placing a lis pendens on property sold by WBGI to Dr. Lanny Neel.

17. Defendant Walter Wagner has not provided any evidence or testimony which suggests that he has any right, title, or interest in either of those properties.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins are in willful and direct contempt of this Court's Order for Preliminary Injunction and Order for Permanent Injunction under NRS Chapter 22 and the equitable authority of this Court to enforce its orders.

### ORDER OF CONTEMPT

Perkins, no later than Tuesday, October 31, 2006, by 5:00 p.m. serve on WBGI's counsel and file with this Court a full and complete accounting of all shares sold of any stock or any interest of any nature whatsoever in World Botanical Gardens, Inc. without the express written permission of the WBGI Board of Directors from January 1, 2004, forward. This accounting must include copies of all share purchase agreements, marketing materials, certificates of ownership, all checks or monies received from persons or on behalf of such persons purchasing such interest, complete bank records of any deposit in which such checks or monies were placed and the account holder, and the records, including copies of cancelled checks, reflecting the disposition of each such check or monies.

Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins shall, under oath, advise the Court whether they have engaged in improper share sales prior to January 1, 2004. For all improper share sales, Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins shall make a complete accounting. For

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this purpose an "improper share sale" is any purported transfer of an interest in WBGI by any defendant without the permission of WBGI's Board.

Within 30 days of receipt of this information, WBGI, through its counsel, shall advise the Court which of these shares were proper share sales and which share sales were improper. WBGI shall also advise the Court which improper share sales by Defendants it has recognized and issued share certificates to investors, and which share sales it has not so recognized.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that because neither Defendant Walter Wagner nor Defendant Dan Perkins was able to reveal the total number persons to whom they sold an interest in WBGI, this Court will determine the appropriate contempt penalty after Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins provide this Court with a full accounting described in the preceding portion of this Order of Contempt.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Court imposes as an equitable remedy to protect innocent third-parties, a constructive trust on all proceeds that Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins collected from the sale proceeds wherever located of any improper sales of any interest in WBGI of whatever nature from January 1, 2004, forward. No later than November 11, 2006, Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins shall pay to WBGI and its counsel of record in cash or certified funds all proceeds in the constructive trust. For those persons WBGI has not already recognized as shareholders, WBGI shall issue to the purchasing party of shares of stock representing the interest that the purchasing party acquired (or thought he or she was acquiring) from Defendant Walter Wagner

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and/or his dba, World Botanical Gardens Foundation. WBGI shall also reduce the number of shares owned by Defendant Wagner and/or his dba, World Botanical Gardens Foundation by the number of improper share sales from January 1, 2004 to date.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant Walter Wagner is hereby restrained and enjoined, unless he receives advance written approval of WBGI's Board of Directors, from entering upon or being within 90 feet of the property known as the World Botanical Gardens.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant Walter Wagner is in contempt of court for using the suffix "wbgi com" in his email address.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins are in contempt of court for using the words "World Botanical Gardens," "World Botanical Gardens, Inc," and "WBGI" in their marketing materials, letters to their victims, unauthorized share certificates, business cards, emails, and on other publications.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant Walter Wagner extinguish the lis pendens placed on WBGI's property and the lis pendens placed on property sold by WBGI to Dr. Lanny Neel.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins are in contempt of court for their respective failures to comply with WBGI's Requests for Production of Documents by not responding to them or producing any documents whatsoever through them.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court shall be notified by counsel within 24 hours of any violation of this Order of Contempt

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or the Permanent Injunctions against Defendants Walter Wagner and Dan Perkins, however slight. . . . 9 1.0 1.1 

1 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY MAILING Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I hereby certify that I am an employee of the Second Judicial 2 District Court, in and for the County of Washoe; and that on this 3 October, 2006, I deposited in the County mailing system for postage and mailing with the 4 United States Postal Service in Reno, Nevada, a true and correct copy of the attached 5 6 document addressed as follows: Robert W. Story, Esq. Robert S. Larsen, Esq. 777 Sinclair St., Ste. 201 Reno, NV 89501 7 8 9 Walter Wagner 10 P.O. Box 881 Pepeekeo, HI 96783 11 Dan Perkins P.O. Box 514 12 Payson, UT 84651 13 Doug Hansen 915 East 1240 South 14 Spanish Fork, UT 84660 15 David Adams P.O. Box 755 16 Hilo, Hawaii 96720 17 18 Heidi Boe 19 Administrative Assistant 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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The document to which this certificate is attached is a full, true and correct copy of the original on file and of record in my office.

DATE:

RONALD A. LONGTIN, JR. Clerk of the Second Judicial District Court, in and for the County of Washoe, State of Newada.

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